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Mr. Abdul Sheikh
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Directorate of Public Works
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Dear Abdul:

On June 12, 2007, I attempted to conduct an aerial detection survey for gypsy moth-caused tree defoliation at Aberdeen Proving Grounds. I was unable to conduct the survey because of restrictions imposed by air traffic controllers at Phillips Airfield and BWI Airport. I was not permitted to fly in the airspace at Aberdeen Proving Grounds even though I had an approved overflight waiver. No defoliation was detected on parts of APG that I could see from outside the restricted airspace nor in the immediate area around the base.

However, if you anticipate requesting either financial or technical assistance for gypsy moth control in 2008, please contact Brad Onken (304) 285-1546 or me (304) 285-1555 before August 24, 2007.

Please contact me at 304-285-1555 if you have any questions regarding the aerial survey or survey letter.

Sincerely,

RODNEY L. WHITEMAN
Forester
Forest Health Protection

Enclosure

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